Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 43521 Trinity River Authority of Texas RN106317308 Docket No. 2012-0422-WQ-E

Order Type:

Findings Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

People or environmental receptors have been exposed to pollutants which exceed levels that are protective.

Media:

WQ

Small Business:

No

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Walker-Calloway Branch Outfall Trunk Sewer, located near the 1,000 block of Henson Road, Hurst, Tarrant County

Type of Operation:

Collection system with an outfall trunk sewer

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: June 15, 2012

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$5,625

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$0 Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$5,625 Total Due to General Revenue: \$0

Payment Plan: N/A **SEP Conditional Offset:** \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Average

Site/RN - N/A

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

Applicable Penalty Policy: September 2011

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Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A

Complaint Information: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: December 8, 2011

Date(s) of NOE(s): January 20, 2012

Violation Information

Failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of untreated wastewater from the collection system [Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1)].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

Respondent:

- a. By December 8, 2011, stopped the unauthorized discharge, contained the unauthorized discharge with two berms, hired environmental consultants to assist in remediation, and installed a bypass pump to pump the discharged wastewater into the collection system;
- b. By December 10, 2012, installed a replacement pipe and flushed all water downstream to a wastewater manhole; and
- c. By December 13, 2012, restored the property back to its original condition with erosion control modifications, conducted pretreatment sampling and testing to ensure that dissolved oxygen, ammonia nitrogen, and pH parameters were within limits.

Technical Requirements:

N/A

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A
Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A
SOAH Referral Date: N/A
Hearing Date(s): N/A
Settlement Date: N/A

Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEO Enforcement Coordinator: Jennifer Graves, Enforcement Division,

Enforcement Team 1, MC R-15, (956) 430-6023; Debra Barber, Enforcement Division,

MC 219, (512) 239-0412

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: N/A

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Respondent: Fiona M. Allen, Northern Regional Manager, Trinity River Authority of Texas, P.O. Box 240, Arlington, Texas 76004
Patricia Cleveland, Assistant Regional Manager, Trinity River Authority of Texas, P.O. Box 240, Arlington, Texas 76004 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW) Policy Revision 3 (September 2011) PCW Revision August 3, 2011 Assigned 23-Jan-2012 PCW 1-Feb-2012 Screening 1-Feb-2012 **EPA Due** RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION Respondent Trinity River Authority of Texas Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN106317308 Facility/Site Region 4-Dallas/Fort Worth Major/Minor Source Minor **CASE INFORMATION** Enf./Case ID No. 43521 Docket No. 2012-0422-WQ-E No. of Violations Order Type Findings Media Program(s) Water Quality Government/Non-Profit Yes Multi-Media Enf. Coordinator Jennifer Graves EC's Team Enforcement Team 1 Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum Maximum \$25,000 Penalty Calculation Section TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) \$7,500 Subtotal 1 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1 Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. **Compliance History** 0.0% Enhancement Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 \$0 No adjustment for compliance history. Notes Culpability No 0.0% Enhancement \$0 The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. Notes Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments Subtotal 5 \$1,875 Economic Benefit 0.0% Enhancement* Subtotal 6 \$0 Total EB Amounts *Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount \$40 Approx. Cost of Compliance \$147,873 SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 Final Subtotal \$5,625 OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% \$0 Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Final Penalty Amount

Final Assessed Penalty

Reduction Adjustment

0.0%

\$5,625

\$5,625

\$5,625

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STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

PAYABLE PENALTY

Reduces the Final Assessed Penalty by the indicted percentage. (Enter number only; e.g. 20 for 20% reduction.)

No deferral is recommended for Findings Orders.

PCW

Policy Revision 3 (September 2011)
PCW Revision August 3, 2011

Enter Number Here Adjust.

Respondent Trinity River Authority of Texas

Case ID No. 43521

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN106317308

Media [Statute] Water Quality

Enf. Coordinator Jennifer Graves

Component Number of...

Compliance History Worksheet
>> Compliance History Site Enhancement (Subtotal 2)

NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	0	0%
	Other written NOVs	0	0%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	O	0%
Judgments	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)	O	0%
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Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0	0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	0%
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	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No	0%
Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No	0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No	0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No	0%
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Rule Cite(s)	Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1) Failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of untreated wastewater i	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
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Equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)	\$55.275	8-Dec-2011	8-Dec-2011	0.00	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land Record Keeping System				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a	<u>\$0</u>
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0 \$0	n/a n/a	\$0 \$0
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Compliance History Report CN601265945 Trinity River Authority Of Texas Classification: AVERAGE Customer/Respondent/Owner-Operator: RN106317308 WALKER-CALLOWAY Classification: Regulated Entity: **INTERCEPTORS ID NUMBER** ID Number(s): WATER QUALITY NON PERMITTED WALKER-CALLOWAY BRANCH OUTFALL TRUNK Location: SEWER, LOCATED NEAR THE 1,000 BLOCK OF HENSON RD, HURST, TARRANT CO, TX **REGION 04 - DFW METROPLEX** TCEQ Region: Date Compliance History Prepared: January 23, 2012 Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History: Enforcement Compliance Period: January 23, 2007 to January 23, 2012 TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding this Compliance History (956) 430-6023 Jennifer Graves Phone: Name: **Site Compliance History Components** 1. Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period? NO 2. Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period? NO 3. If YES, who is the current owner/operator? N/A N/A 4. If YES, who was/were the prior owner(s)/operator(s)? 5. If YES, when did the change(s) in owner or operator occur? N/A Rating Date: N/A Repeat Violator: N/A Components (Multimedia) for the Site: Final Enforcement Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees of the State of Texas and the federal government. A. Any criminal convictions of the state of Texas and the federal government. B. Chronic excessive emissions events. N/A D. The approval dates of investigations. (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.) 1 01/20/2012 (980966) E. Written notices of violations (NOV). (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.) Environmental audits. N/A G Type of environmental management systems (EMSs). H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program. N/A

Early compliance. N/A Sites Outside of Texas N/A

Rating: 2.28

Site Rating:

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	Š	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
TRINITY RIVER AUTHORITY OF	§	
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RN106317308	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2012-0422-WQ-E

At its	agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
("the Commission" or "I	CCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an
enforcement action regard	ling Trinity River Authority of Texas ("the Respondent") under the
authority of TEX. WATER Co	ODE chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the
Enforcement Division, and	the Respondent presented this agreement to the Commission.

The Respondent understands that it has certain procedural rights at certain points in the enforcement process, including, but not limited to, the right to formal notice of violations, notice of an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary hearing, and a right to appeal. By entering into this Agreed Order, the Respondent agrees to waive all notice and procedural rights.

It is further understood and agreed that this Order represents the complete and fully-integrated settlement of the parties. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable. The duties and responsibilities imposed by this Agreed Order are binding upon the Respondent.

The Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Respondent owns a collection system with an outfall trunk sewer located near the 1,000 block of Henson Road in Hurst, Tarrant County, Texas (the "Site").

- 2. The Respondent has discharged municipal waste into or adjacent to any water in the state under Tex. Water Code ch. 26.
- 3. During an investigation on December 8, 2011, TCEQ staff documented that approximately 351,000 gallons of untreated wastewater was discharged from a damaged 27-inch interceptor into Walker Branch Creek resulting in a fish kill of 32 fish.
- 4. The Respondent received notice of the violation on January 23, 2012.
- 5. The Executive Director recognizes that the Respondent:
 - a. By December 8, 2011, stopped the unauthorized discharge, contained the unauthorized discharge with two berms, hired environmental consultants to assist in remediation, and installed a bypass pump to pump the discharged wastewater into the collection system;
 - b. By December 10, 2012, installed a replacement pipe and flushed all water downstream to a wastewater manhole; and
 - c. By December 13, 2012, restored the property back to its original condition with erosion control modifications, conducted pretreatment sampling and testing to ensure that dissolved oxygen, ammonia nitrogen, and pH parameters were within limits.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the TCEQ pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE chs. 7 and 26 and the rules of the Commission.
- 2. As evidenced by Findings of Fact No. 3, the Respondent failed to prevent the unauthorized discharge of untreated wastewater from the collection system, in violation of Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1).
- 3. Pursuant to Tex. Water Code § 7.051, the Commission has the authority to assess an administrative penalty against the Respondent for violations of the Texas Water Code and the Texas Health and Safety Code within the Commission's jurisdiction; for violations of rules adopted under such statutes; or for violations of orders or permits issued under such statutes.
- 4. An administrative penalty in the amount of Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$5,625) is justified by the facts recited in this Agreed Order, and considered in light of the factors set forth in Tex. Water Code § 7.053. The Respondent has paid the Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollar (\$5,625) administrative penalty.

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III. ORDERING PROVISIONS

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ORDERS that:

1. The Respondent is assessed an administrative penalty in the amount of Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$5,625) as set forth in Section II, Paragraph 4 above, for violations of TCEQ rules and state statutes. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order completely resolve the violations set forth by this Agreed Order in this action. However, the Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective actions or penalties for other violations that are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: Trinity River Authority of Texas, Docket No. 2012-0422-WQ-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Site operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 3. The Executive Director may refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings without notice to the Respondent if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 4. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
- 5. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 6. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature

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could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under Tex. Bus. Org. Code § 1.002.

7. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties. By law, the effective date of this Agreed Order is the third day after the mailing date, as provided by 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b) and Tex. Gov't Code § 2001.142.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	_
Pandouin. For the Executive Director	7/6/12
For the Executive Director	Date
River Authority of Texas. I am authorized t Trinity River Authority of Texas, and do agr	d the attached Agreed Order in the matter of Trinity to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of ee to the specified terms and conditions. I further yment for the penalty amount, is materially relying
certain procedural rights, including, but not addressed by this Agreed Order, notice of a hearing, and the right to appeal. I agree	eed Order, Trinity River Authority of Texas waives a limited to, the right to formal notice of violations an evidentiary hearing, the right to an evidentiary to the terms of the Agreed Order in lieu of an constitutes full and final adjudication by the Agreed Order.
 and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amout A negative impact on compliance history Greater scrutiny of any permit applicated Referral of this case to the Attorney additional penalties, and/or attorney Increased penalties in any future enformation Automatic referral to the Attorney Grand TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized 	ory; ations submitted; y General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, fees, or to a collection agency; orcement actions; General's Office of any future enforcement actions;
Frona Maller Signature	4/16/12
Signature	Date
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Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of	Title

Instructions: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section III, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.